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HONGKONG, 14th January, 1903.

We find in a recent issue of the *North-China Daily News* an article dealing with the treatment by missionaries in China of the "worship" of CONFUCIUS. The author of this article is Dr. W. A. P. MARTIN, whose name must compel respect from all those who have the slightest acquaintance with missionary and educational work in China. The subject is one which has given rise to some little discussion of late, not only in missionary circles, and the views of so experienced a man as Dr. MARTIN must therefore be all the more welcomed. It could be predicted that there would be nothing narrow or bigoted in these views; the reader need not expect to be told that the honour paid to the greatest of China's sages is "idolatry," that catch-word of so many well-meaning but ill-instructed preachers of Christianity to foreign nations. It is true that Dr. MARTIN prefaces his remarks in the *North-China Daily News* with the question, "Is it idolatry?" but the answer he gives distinctly is that it is not. The article on Confucius-worship seems to have been suggested by a point brought up in the annual report of the "Diffusion Society," namely the question as to what is the best way to secure proper regard on the part of the Chinese Government for the rights of conscience, which as long as China disregards she must lag behind other nations. But Dr. MARTIN is far from looking on the matter in any one-sided way. This is proved by one paragraph in his brief article, which we take the liberty of reproducing here.

He says:—"The expulsion of a student from the university of Shantung for refusing to bow the knee to Confucius is a disgrace to the country. But while I thus express myself in regard to the narrow view of the Chinese, I cannot refrain from saying that there is room for a change of view on our side of the question. For myself, I hold strongly that there is nothing idolatrous in the worship of CONFUCIUS. He is not deified as a God; nor is he invoked as such. The inscription on his tablet makes him 'the most holy of the ancient sages.' Honour to his memory as China's greatest teacher is all that the rite signifies—notwithstanding the grovelling and abject form of the ceremony." This is an admirably enlightened standpoint, which does the greatest credit to the man who holds by it. The writer goes on to compare another Chinese rite which is purely civil, the "worship" of the tablet of the living Emperor, of which he says:—"How ever little we may admire this sort of 'man-worship,' it is man-worship and not the worship of God. It is not forbidden to Christian officials; nor is the worship of the sage forbidden." The worship of CONFUCIUS is forbidden by the Papacy to the Roman Catholic converts, and other Christian proselytisers have followed the Romanist policy. Dr. MARTIN calls on "Protestant missionaries to take an independent stand and to teach their converts to look on the worship of CONFUCIUS as a merely civil rite. 'The conscience of our Christians,' he says, 'would at once be set free and one of the greatest barriers to the spread of Christianity would be taken out of the way.' The immensity of the barrier will, we fancy, be questioned by none who have any knowledge of the labour of introducing Christianity among Chinese. For more than two thousand years have the Emperors of China been Confucianists; indeed, it is proverbially an indispensable quality of the Emperor. The Mongol dynasty inaugurated the worship of CONFUCIUS as a merely civil rite. The present dynasty has followed in its steps. Among all the educated the Confucian rule has prevailed, and the foundations of Chinese political and social life are these precepts of this remarkable system. The honour paid to the philosopher's memory, which is what is meant by the expression 'CONFUCIUS-WORSHIP' is but the most outward sign of this. To miscall this 'idolatry' and thus make it impossible for a Chinese convert at once to be a Christian and to be from the Chinese point of view, a good citizen, can in no way be considered wisdom. We trust that Dr. MARTIN's words will not be allowed to pass unheeded.

With the conclusion yesterday of the enquiry into the fatal building collapse in Tung Lo Lane, the series of collapse enquiries came to an end. The net result of four months of magisterial investigation, legal eloquence, and public attention, as shown by the jury, is that no one has been found responsible for the deaths of thirty Chinese, caused by the falling of the various buildings. There were in all five cases, beginning with the Kowloon City Road case, involving the death of ten men; here the magisterial enquiry failed to locate any blame. Next came the First Street collapse, where one man was killed; the contractor was committed for trial, but discharged at the Criminal Sessions. Third was the Second Street affair, where the victims numbered four; two contractors were committed for trial, but also discharged when the case had come to the Supreme Court. Fourth was the Praya East collapse, killing thirteen; the architects and contractor were committed for trial, but the Attorney-General, sitting in the capacity of a grand jury, threw out the bill. Lastly there was the Tung Lo Lane case, which ended yesterday; two men were killed, but the jury could not assign the blame. We do not propose to go into the details of these cases nor to say that the ultimate verdict in each enquiry was not the one pointed out by the facts. There were great difficulties involved in the task of getting to the bottom of all five cases, and those concerned had laborious tasks with which to cope. But it cannot be held otherwise than deplorable that the conditions of this Colony make it possible for a series of building collapses to occur, leading to the death of thirty human beings, without any censure attaching to anyone concerned. It is not long ago since, after a certain number of collapses, public opinion was demanding enquiries into the circumstances. Now we have had the enquiries, and after all no one is better or the worse for them. Yet perhaps it is not quite true to say that the Colony is the better off, inasmuch as there is now proved what was before very strongly felt, that the whole system of building supervision in Hongkong in the past has been wrong and that it is practically no better now. There is no call for "banging" anyone; we must hang the system.

In the Shield match between the Hockey Club "A" team and H.M.S. *Albion*, on Monday, the latter won by 4 goals to 1.

We are requested to state that the meeting of the West Point Building Co. will be held at 11.45 a.m. on the 26th inst., and not at 11.30 a.m. as previously stated.

The week before last in Shanghai two American prisoners who were serving their time in the British gaol escaped in broad daylight. They were arrested in the evening, and have since been sentenced to be kept in double irons for three months and to have a broad and water diet for ten days. Four Chinese prisoners confined in the Shanghai Municipal gaol emulated the American prisoners and escaped from the gaol infirmary the same week.

It appears from a telegram to the *Shanghai Times* that a German poet, Herr Paul Boch, has replied in the *Berlin Tagblatt* to Mr. Kipling's verses in regard to the condition with Germany in the Venezuela movement. The German writer bids his countrymen abandon ill-will toward the English and try to cultivate friendly relations with that people, and to pay no attention to the vapourings of "the Indian drummer." As Mr. Kipling is very free with terms of abuse, he will probably not feel very much hurt by being treated to some himself.

A *Shanghai Times* telegram dated London, 7th January, says:—News comes from Vienna of terrific effects of a smallpox scourge in the Fueni Islands, Greek Archipelago (P. Agayan Sea). These islands are occupied by 800 Greek families, and there are said to have been more than 1,000 deaths. Turkish quarantine was imposed against the islands when smallpox appeared, and because of the shortage of physicians the people resorted to the expedient of vaccinating with lymph taken from those who had the disease. An epidemic resulted.

We have received a copy of a rather remarkable pamphlet, entitled *Hongkong Parsee Cricket Club: A Short History*, and written by Mr. E. D. Vania, ex-president of the Parsee C. C. Judging by the cover, we might imagine it to be a record of the doing of a praiseworthy little collection of sportsmen, who have done a good deal for what we may call second-class cricket in Hongkong; but a perusal of its pages shows that it is really the history of a dispute within the Club. As such we cannot consider that it would be of advantage or of general interest to discuss it in these columns, and though Mr. Vania may have a strong grievance (we do not commit ourselves on this point) he would do better not to call into the discussion the whole community, at least not more than the Parsee community, if an appeal from the Parsee C. C. is necessary.

Among the Bills which the French Chamber of Deputies was to discuss immediately after its Christmas and New Year holidays is one to transfer the remains of Balzac, Renan, Michelet, and Edgar Quinet to the Pantheon. Notice of an amendment in shape of an additional clause to include the remains of the late M. Zola in the proposed translation has been given, among its numerous signatories being M. Brisson, the well-known statesman, several times Prime Minister and President of the Chamber, M. Jaurès, the chief Socialist leader, and M. de Pressensé. In spite, however, of powerful support, and at least the tacit countenance of the present French Government, it is difficult to say whether the amendment will be adopted. It will in any case encounter violent opposition on the part of the Nationalist Party, as well as on that of the pseudo-Republicans led by M. Méline.

The agitation to remove Li Yo-Yok, one of the Ministers of State in Corea, still continues, but without effect, says the *Kobe Chronicle*, the Emperor strongly refusing to listen to the agitation. The trouble is said to be due to jealousy among the officials. It appears, however, that the Japanese Government has intervened in the dispute. A Seoul telegram to the *Mainichi* states that, in reply to a Note addressed to the Korean Government urging the dismissal of Li Yo-Yok, who is said to be under the protection of a foreign Government, the Korean Government stated that Li Yo-Yok was not appointed to his office by the recommendation of the Russian Minister, but by the command of the Emperor, and he was not under the protection of any foreign Power. A request was therefore made that the Japanese Government should withdraw its advice. M. Stein, the Russian *Chargé d'Affaires* in Seoul, has addressed a Note to the Japanese *Chargé d'Affaires*, declaring that Russia has no intention of gaining any advantage through the influence of Li Yo-Yok.

It is by no means certain the Chinese will yield to the suggestion of the Russian Minister that the Customs' postal work and exclusive mining rights be placed under Russian control in Manchuria. News came from Peking yesterday, says the *Shanghai Times* of the 8th inst., that Prince Ching, to whom the suggestion had been referred, consulted some of the foreign ministers and that he was assured both at the English and the Japanese legations that if he wished to decline to entertain the suggestion, he might rely upon the moral support at least of both Great Britain and Japan. It is said that this assurance has considerably stiffened his attitude toward the Russian Minister, and that nothing will come of the suggestion unless further diplomatic demands may be based upon it. In that event it will be referred to the Wai Wu-pu, and definite assurance will probably be invited from the British and Japanese legations, and possibly from others, as to the willingness of foreign representatives to stand behind the refusal of China.

A Japanese telegram from London on the 30th December says that Russia is despatching seven additional destroyers to the Pacific.

It is reported that Mr. and Mrs. Strong (better known formerly as Miss May Yohs, or Lady Francis Hope, and Captain Strong) are still at Buenos Ayres, and have no intention of returning to the United States.

Viceroy Yuan Shi-kai has sent in a memorial to the Throne, applying for permission to suppress the lottery established in Chihli during the late Li Hung-chang's tenure of the Viceroyalty of the province in the beginning of the last Chinese year.

With reference to the disturbances in Kansu of which we wrote yesterday, it is interesting to note that H.E. Sung Fan, Viceroy of Szechuan and Kansu, recently telegraphed to the authorities of Chihli stating that "there has been difficulties between the Mahomedans and disbanded soldiers in Kansu with the result that rumours were invented that they were anti-Christian crusades so that the missionaries at Ping Liang were about to take refuge in quieter regions. I at once appointed deputies to investigate and preserve peace and the local authorities used every effort to retain missionaries and promised every protection, so the latter have not left as intended. Now the disbanded soldiers have been dispersed and this province is as quiet as can be."

POLICE COURT.

Tuesday, 13th January.

BEFORE MR. F. A. HAZELAND
(POLICE MAGISTRATE).

COMMITTED FOR TRIAL.

Chan Sze was committed for trial on a charge of being concerned in an armed robbery at Mong Kok on the night of the 7th ult.

The defendant is alleged to have been one of a gang of four armed Chinamen who entered an apothecary's shop at Mong Kok and terrorised the proprietor and his wife with threats and the brandishing of weapons. They decamped with what booty they could lay hands on, but the defendant was subsequently arrested. His defence was an *alibi*.

BEFORE MR. J. H. KEMP (ACTING
POLICE MAGISTRATE).

THEFT OF MONEY.

Li Pak, unemployed, was sentenced to three months' hard labour for stealing \$200 from Choi Chin San, a traveller doing business in Singapore.

The complainant, who arrived here only a few days ago, changed some money at a shop in Queen's Road Central, and put it in his box in the presence of the defendant, who resided in the same boarding-house. The money was afterwards missed, and was found in the possession of the defendant by Inspector Gidley.

THEFT BY A BEACHCOMBER.

Benjamin Jackson, a beachcomber, was sentenced to six weeks' hard labour for stealing a letter containing two sovereigns, a silver watch, and some articles of clothing from William Brander, a seaman on the steamer *Benevue*. The letter was given to Brander to post by the chief officer of the *Benevue*, but he fell into Jackson's company, became intoxicated, and was robbed in the manner indicated.

ROYAL HONGKONG GOLF CLUB.

QUARTERLY MEETING.

The prospects of a large entry were ruined by the heavy rain which rendered the course almost unplayable for the last two days of the meeting. The following cards were returned:—

MACPHERSON CUP.	
Commander Farquhar, R.N.	85-2=83
Mr. A. B. Lowson	89-6=83
Mr. W. J. Saunders	100-15=84
Dr. W. B. Drew, R.N.	100-15=85
Mr. C. E. H. Beavis	90-4=88
Mr. C. M. G. Burnie	91-1=89
Mr. E. J. Grist	94-5=89

BOGEY AND RICHARDSON CUPS.	
Dr. W. L. Martin, R.N.	rec. 11 strokes 2 up
Comdr. Farquhar, R.N.	" 11 " 3 down
Dr. W. B. Drew, R.N.	" 12 " 4 down
Mr. C. E. H. Beavis	" 2 " 5 down
Mr. C. M. G. Burnie	" 1 " 6 down
Mr. W. J. Saunders	" 11 " 6 down
Mr. E. J. Grist	" 4 " 8 down

POOL.	
Dr. W. L. Martin, R.N.	92-14=78
Comdr. Farquhar, R.N.	89-2=87
Mr. A. B. Lowson	89-6=83
Mr. W. J. Saunders	99-15=84
Dr. W. B. Drew, R.N.	100-15=85
Mr. C. E. H. Beavis	90-2=88
Mr. C. M. G. Burnie	90-1=89
Mr. E. J. Grist	94-5=89

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK
DIVIDEND.

We are officially authorised to state that subject to audit, the Directors of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation will recommend at the forthcoming meeting a dividend of £1.10s. per share; bonus of 10s. per share; add to the reserve fund \$750,000; and carry forward about \$1,425,000.

One of the happiest efforts of the erring printer which we have come across for some time was that which figured in an Edinburgh contemporary's report of the recent Sir Walter Scott Club Dinner, proposing the toast of "Literature," one of the speakers rose up thus:—"There were Captain Kettle, in real life, and distinguished generals, it was said, had gone Janus upon Junks and written about them, and had been kissed by the Muses." In the report in question the last word was rendered "nurses."

TELEGRAMS.

"DAILY PRESS" SERVICE.

GENERAL NEWS.

[FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.]

LONDON, 12th January, 5 p.m.

THE FRENCH BUDGET.

The French-Budget Committee reports that it is unnecessary to raise a loan of 44,000,000 francs and recommends reducing the expenditure by 37,500,000 and increasing the estimated receipts by 22,500,000 francs.

SOUTH AFRICA.

Mr. J. B. Robinson, chairman of the South African Banking Co., declares that it is a serious delusion for the Imperial Government to imagine that it can govern any portion of South Africa from London.

REUTER'S SERVICE.

LONDON, 11th January.

ATTEMPTED ASSASSINATION IN SPAIN.

While the King of Spain was returning from church on Saturday evening, a Madrid man fired a revolver at the second carriage. No one was injured. The man, who is a Spaniard called Feito, apparently insane, declares that he wanted to kill the Grand Chamberlain and not the King.

RUGBY FOOTBALL—THE USUAL RESULT.

Wales has scored 3 goals and 2 tries against England's 1 goal.

MARCONI TELEGRAPHY.

The Marconi system between England and America will be open to the public about the 20th inst.

CORRESPONDENCE.

[We do not hold ourselves responsible for the opinions expressed by our correspondents.]

CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN AND MORTGAGE CO., LD.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "DAILY PRESS."

Hongkong, 13th January.

SIR,—The report and accounts of the China Provident Loan and Mortgage Co., Ltd. for the past year have been published in our local prints and offer a fair subject for criticism. We see that a sum of \$81,022.02 is represented as the net profit for the year, out of which \$80,000, or practically the whole, is to be distributed as dividend. This is magnificent liberality, especially when, on looking a little into the accounts, we find that this sum is more than the Company earned during the year. It includes, as will be seen, in addition to \$2,285.58 brought forward from the preceding year's account, a sum of \$2,000 written off as unclaimed dividends. This is the first time in the history of a local Company that has been in existence barely four years that such a large amount of unclaimed dividends has been proposed to be forfeited. I presume that the Company, of course, is within its legal rights in dealing with those dividends in that manner, but it cannot be contended that this drastic step will improve the estimation in which the Company is held by the public. But the fact serves to show how great is the anxiety to declare a big dividend.

How does this proposed appropriation of the Company's funds compare with what has been done into our ears recently about the danger of milking our cows too dry, and the wisdom of a policy of consolidation and concentration? In every well-managed Company a proportion of at least 15 to 20 per cent. of the net profits is put aside for contingencies, for reserve or equalisation of dividend funds. Why is not the same course recommended in this instance? I am unable to fathom the reason, but the result will be, since the market price of shares is regulated as a rule by the amount of the dividend, the stock of this Company will command, at least temporarily, an undeservedly high value and investors will consequently burn their fingers.

In the case of a concern with assets worth more than five times their book value, an extra dollar was grudged the shareholders so that the Directors may be enabled to write off about 58 per cent. of the net profits for the year. And now we have a company that proposes to pay the shareholders a larger sum in dividends than it can be said to have actually earned. What is the explanation?—Yours, etc.,

J. B. MICHAEL.

LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The Imperial German mail steamer *Prinzess Irene* left Kobe via Nagasaki and Shanghai on the 11th inst., p.m., and may be expected here on the 20th inst.

The Imperial German mail steamer *Stettin*, carrying the German mails with dates from Berlin of the 23rd ult., left Colombo on the 12th inst., a.m., and may be expected here on the 25th inst.

The A.L. steamer *Silesia* left Maji for this port yesterday morning.

The C.N. steamer *Tyman*, from Australian ports, left Manila for this port on the 12th inst., p.m., and is expected here to-morrow, at daylight.

ENQUIRIES INTO COLLAPSES OF BUILDINGS.

TUNG LOI LANE.

The enquiry was concluded yesterday afternoon before Mr. F. A. Hazeland and a common jury into the circumstances attending the fatal collapse of two houses in Tung Lo Lane (near the Harbour Office) on 12th November last. Mr. F. B. L. Bowley, Crown Solicitor, appeared on behalf of the Crown, and Mr. H. W. Looker on behalf of the contractors (the Wing Sing firm), the shorers, and the architects, Messrs. Leigh and Orange.

The jurors were—Messrs. W. Goldenberg, C. H. Blason, and E. W. Torrey.

Yik Foo Mun, manager of a Chinese mercantile firm which at the time of the collapse occupied premises in Wing Lok Street and Tung Lo Lane, was recalled and examined by Mr. Bowley as to the goods stored in No. 12, Tung Lo Lane when the accident occurred. There were 130 bags of pepper and 50 bags of rice on the first floor and 60 on the ground floor. The extra supports to the first floor were put up three years ago, when the firm took up tenancy of the premises, and some of the old joists supporting the first floor were decayed when the collapse occurred, but none of the supporting timbers were decayed.

In answer to Mr. Looker, witness said that the entries in the book from which he was quoting the amount of goods stored in a head crane, but witness could vouch for their accuracy, as the book was shown to him every night for the purpose of enabling him to check the entries by an examination of the goods.

By a jurymen—The goods mentioned were not leaving against the party wall between Nos. 12 and 14, Tung Lo Lane.

This concluded the evidence, and Mr. Looker said he wished to put in a copy of a letter which might throw some light on the subject—one written by Messrs. Stephens and Thomson, solicitors, to Mr. Chatham, Director of Public Works, on 27th December, 1901, requesting him to inspect these premises at 125-128, Wing Lok Street and to declare the wall dangerous. In his answer, continued Mr. Looker, Mr. Chatham said he could not accede to the request, and added that he regarded it as little short of miraculous that there had not been a serious collapse of the building hitherto, as on visiting the premises he found bags, presumably containing rice, stacked about ten feet high in places, on the two upper floors. The point he wished to emphasise, said Mr. Looker, was that these people—the last witness's firm—were in the habit of storing cargo ten feet high on the upper floors of the premises.

His Worship—I don't think it is evidence.

Mr. Looker—I think it is evidence of the way these premises were used as godowns.

Mr. Bowley—There is nothing on the face of the letter to show that it refers to houses in Wing Lok Street, or even to houses in Hongkong.

His Worship—I don't think the letter ought to be admitted. Anything which refers to what took place a year ago is not relevant.

Mr. Looker—Very well, your Worship. Addressing the jury, Mr. Looker returned to the objects of the enquiry, and said there was a good deal of difference between criminal negligence and ordinary negligence. Under the former head the jury had to come to the conclusion that somebody, from the owners down to the men actually employed on the work, had been guilty of negligence of such a description as to be utterly reckless; but if the jury found, on the other hand, that the precautions which had been taken in the present case were the precautions suggested by careful and experienced men, then they had no right to bring in a verdict of criminal negligence. Mr. Looker said he had been informed by the Crown Solicitor that there was no responsibility whatever on the architects in connection with the collapse, and he would therefore bring the case down to the contractor and shorer, against whom, he submitted, there was no evidence that could possibly convict them of criminal negligence. Mr. Looker detailed the history of the houses, and compared their collapse with that of the Leaning Tower of Pisa, which, after standing for years and years in the position indicated by the present case, had fallen. Now, who could be blamed for that?

Mr. Bowley—It wasn't the Leaning Tower of Pisa; it was the Campanile at Venice that fell. (Laughter.)

Mr. Looker begged pardon, and said that anyway the blame for the collapse of the Campanile could not reasonably be fixed on anyone. In the case under review there was certainly a reasonable ground that it was the rottenness of the first floor joists of No. 12 and the extra weight being placed on them that caused the collapse of the first floor and then of the wall. What actually caused the collapse of the wall it was impossible to say, but that it did collapse was not necessarily anybody's fault, and, Mr. Looker concluded, he would submit that, so far as concerned any of the parties who were engaged in the pulling down and rebuilding and the shoring of the wall, they were not guilty of any negligence at all.

Mr. Bowley said they were not trying the case of the fall of the Campanile; if they were, he thought there would be evidence to show that building operations were going on in the vicinity, and that the tower had not been properly shored up. Regarding the present case, however, there were two persons responsible for the collapse, one that the first floor of No. 12 broke and brought the houses down, and the other that the wall being shaken by the building operations, fell through, and caused the collapse. The evidence, Mr. Bowley thought, went to show that the floor was not excessively weighted, and therefore the jury might dismiss that theory of the collapse altogether. The cause of the collapse, as shown by the evidence, was the disturbance of the wall by the building operations, and the contractor and shorer were the only persons responsible for the work. It had been given in evidence that the owner of No. 14 refused to remove the goods from the premises, and at his request the contractor and shorer put up a partition after the goods had been moved only a few feet from the wall to permit the lateral shores to go up. But there was no evidence to show they pointed out to the shodder that there was danger in what he did. This building contractor and the scaffolding contractor were the two men who did know the danger, and in spite of that knowledge they did as the shodder asked them—put up the partition and left the first floor unsupported by sloping shores because of that partition, as they said. Mr. Bowley, who reviewed the evidence at length, submitted that the blame, if there was any blame, rested entirely on the contractor and shorer.

His Worship addressed the jury, quoting authorities for their guidance, and they then retired, to return later with a verdict that the cause of the deaths of the two deceased was the collapse of the party wall between Nos. 12 and 14, Tung Lo Lane, and that the deaths of the deceased were not the result of criminal negligence.

This concludes the series of enquiries.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SECOND ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICE, Victoria Buildings, on MONDAY, the 26th JANUARY, 1903, at 12.30 o'clock p.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts for the period ending 31st December, 1902.

THE REGISTER OF SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED on MONDAY, the 19th January to MONDAY, the 26th January (both days inclusive) during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

MOWBRAY'S, NORTH COLE, Secretary, Hongkong, 13th January, 1903. [247]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEE.

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Optional Goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 3 P.M. TO-DAY, 13th inst.

Goods not cleared by the 19th inst., at 4 P.M., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

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Consignees of Cargo from Europe, Bombay, Egyptian Ports, &c., are requested to sign a General Average Bond before Bills of Lading are countersigned.

E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent, Hongkong, 13th January, 1903. [1]

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GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., Agents, Hongkong, 14th January, 1903. [244]

NEW ADVERTISEMENT

HONGKONG BENEVOLENT SOCIETY.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the above SOCIETY will be held on TUESDAY, 27th JANUARY, at 12 o'clock, in the CITY HALL.

The Public are invited to attend.

B. S. POATE, Hon. Secretary, Hongkong, 14th January, 1903. [248]

ENTERTAINMENTS

THEATRE ROYAL.

TO-MORROW (THURSDAY), 15th JANUARY, 1903.

VARIETY ENTERTAINMENT

IN AID OF THE SAILORS' AND SOLDIERS' INSTITUTE, Arsenal Street.

GRAND NAVAL ASSAULT-AT-ARMS

MEMBERS OF THE CREWS OF H.M.S. "ALBION" and H.M.S. "OCEAN."

Interlude by the celebrated String Band (under the baton of Signor de Robertis) of H.M.S. "ALBION," kindly lent for the occasion by Rear-Admiral H. T. Grenfell and Officers.

Marvellous conjuring by Wap Loo-fai, the Wizard of Kwang Tung, and the Sprite Chun Fok, only 7 years of age.

To conclude with wonderful acrobatic performance by Wan Loo-fai's famous Troupe of Acrobats.

Doors Open at 8.30 P.M.

Performance from 9 to 11 P.M.

P. ices, \$3, \$2 and \$1.

Box Office at the Comptroller's, City Hall, will be open on and after MONDAY, the 12th January, 1903.

Hongkong, 10th January, 1903. [246]

THE INSTITUTION OF ENGINEERS AND SHIPBUILDERS OF HONGKONG.

THE GREAT ZAMONI

will give an Entertainment in the INSTITUTION ROOMS, TO-NIGHT (WEDNESDAY), 14th JANUARY, 1903, at 9 P.M.

Members and Friends invited. Admission One Dollar. Tickets may be had from the Manager at the Institution or from Members of the Committee.

Hongkong, 13th January, 1903. [247]

AUCTIONS

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction,

TO-DAY (WEDNESDAY), the 14th JANUARY, at 11 A.M., at their SALES Rooms, No. 8, Des Vieux Road Central, Corner of Le House Street,

100 Cases SCOTCH WHISKY;
45 Cases CHAMPAGNE;
20 Cases CHEESE;
15 Cases RUM;
10 Cases GIN;

Also
A Quantity of ASSORTED WINES and SPIRITS.

Terms—Cash on delivery.

HUGHES & HOUGH, Auctioneers, Hongkong, 13th January, 1903. [229]

BY ORDER OF THE OFFICIAL TRUSTEE.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

Messrs. HUGHES & HOUGH have received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, in One Lot,

TO-DAY (WEDNESDAY), the 14th JANUARY, 1903, at their OFFICES, at 3 o'clock P.M.,

THE VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTY

known as Nos. 8 & 9, Lan Kwai Fong, D'Aguiar Street, The Property consists of

All that Piece or Parcel of Ground situate at Lan Kwai Fong, D'Aguiar Street, Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, and intended to be registered in the Land Office as Inland Lot No. 1,010.

The Premises are known as Houses Nos. 8 and 9, Lan Kwai Fong and will be held for the residue of a term of 99 years from the 24th June, 1843 Annual Crown Rent \$16. Assessed rental of each House \$20 per month.

Particulars and Conditions of Sale may be obtained from

Messrs. DEACON & HASTINGS, 10, Queen's Road, Solicitors, and

Messrs. HUGHES & HOUGH, the Auctioneers, Hongkong, 12th January, 1903. [232]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from Mr. DAVID J. LENOX, to Sell by Public Auction,

TO-MORROW (THURSDAY), the 15th JANUARY, 1903, at 2.30 P.M., within his residence, 39, MORRISON HILL ROAD,

SUNDAY HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,

Comprising—

TEAKWOOD HATSTAND with GLASS, TEAKWOOD BOOKCASE, TEAKWOOD WARDROBE with BEVELLED GLASS, SIDEBOARDS, OVERMANTELS, WASH STANDS, IRON and BRASS FENDERS, OIL PAINTINGS, RICKSHAW, COOKING STOVE and UTENSILS, &c., &c.;

Also

A Quantity of PICTURES and OIL PAINTINGS;

And

An Assortment of GAS CHANDELIERS and FITTINGS.

Catalogues may be had on application.

Terms—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH, Auctioneers, Hongkong, 12th January, 1903. [230]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned will Let by Public Auction, on

MONDAY, the 19th JANUARY, 1903, at 3 P.M., on the spot, The Several Lots Numbered 1 to 19 on Plan to be seen at the Auctioneer's Office, for erection of BOOTHS and MATSHEDS on the Government Ground adjoining the Racecourse, North of the Grand Stand Enclosure.

TERMS—Cash.

For Conditions of Sale, apply to

HUGHES & HOUGH, Government Auctioneers, Hongkong, 3rd January, 1903. [148]

PUBLIC COMPANIES

THE CHINA-BORNEO COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the CHINA-BORNEO COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held at the REGISTERED OFFICES of the Company, 4, QUEEN'S BUILDINGS, Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, THIS DAY (WEDNESDAY), the 14th day of JANUARY, 1903, at 12 Noon, for the purpose of confirming the following Resolution passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held this day (29th December, 1902):—

RESOLUTION.—

That for the purpose of carrying into effect the special resolution duly passed and confirmed at Extraordinary General Meetings of the Company held on the 11th and 27th days of October, 1902, the Company be wound up voluntarily under the Provisions of the Companies Ordinance 1865 to 1889, and that the Honourable Charles Stewart Sharp, Alexander George Wood, and John Thomas Martin Wheeler be appointed Liquidators of the said Company with liberty for each of them jointly to exercise all the powers of the joint Liquidators and that for the like purpose the Liquidators be and they are hereby authorised to consent to the preparation of the Memorandum and Articles of Association of and to the registration of a new Company to be incorporated under the Companies Ordinance of the Hongkong and the Colony of The China-Borneo Company, Limited, or some similar title.

Dated this 14th day of January, 1903.

By Order of the Consulting Committee,

WILLIAM D. JUPP, Acting Manager.

THE CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN AND MORTGAGE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE SIXTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the OFFICES of the Company, 14, Des Vieux Road, Victoria, on SATURDAY, the 17th JANUARY, 1903, at 11 o'clock A.M., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Managers for the year ending 31st December, 1902, declaring a Dividend and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED on THURSDAY, the 15th day of JANUARY, 1903, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., General Managers, Hongkong, 7th January, 1903. [197]

THE WEST POINT BUILDING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIFTEENTH ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES, Victoria Buildings, on MONDAY, the 26th JANUARY, 1903, at 11.45 o'clock A.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED on SATURDAY, the 17th JANUARY, to MONDAY, the 26th JANUARY (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

A. SHELTON HOOPER, Secretary to the Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Company, Limited, The West Point Building Co., Ltd. Hongkong, 7th January, 1903. [192]

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIFTEENTH ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES, Victoria Buildings, on MONDAY, the 26th JANUARY, 1903, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED on SATURDAY, the 17th JANUARY, to MONDAY, the 26th JANUARY (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

A. SHELTON HOOPER, Secretary, Hongkong, 7th January, 1903. [193]

THE PUNJON MINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that at a Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Company, held at the Company's Office, No. 13, Beaconsfield Arcade, Victoria, Hongkong, on Monday, the 5th day of January, 1903, the following Resolution was passed:—

"That in pursuance of the Special Resolution passed on the 11th day of November, 1902, and confirmed on the 27th day of November, 1902, a Call of Fifty Cents per Share be made upon all holders of Ordinary Shares in the above Company, and the same is hereby made. Such Call to be paid to the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, at their Premises, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, Hongkong, on or before the 9th day of February, 1903."

AND NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that in accordance with Article 24 of the Company's Articles of Association, interest at the rate of \$10 per centum per Annum will be charged upon all Calls remaining unpaid after the 10th day of February, 1903, up to the actual dates of payment of the same.

Shareholders are requested to note that, upon presentation at the Office of the Company of the Bankers Receipt for payment of the Call, and surrender of existing Certificates of the Shares pertaining thereto, new Share Certificates will be issued bearing an endorsement of the payment of the said Call.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

W. KERFOOT HUGHES, Secretary, Hongkong, 6th January, 1903. [175]

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Hongkong, 31st October, 1902. [245]

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OFFICES at 6, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

Apply to—

G. GIRAULT, Hongkong, 3rd January, 1903. [72]

TO LET.

A HOUSE at the PEAK. Partly Furnished, from 1st January until 30th June, 1903.

Apply—

28, BONHAM ROAD, West Point, Hongkong, 1st December, 1902. [81]

TO LET.

NOS. 10, 12 and 14, LEIGHTON HILL ROAD.

For Particulars, please apply to

MR. LI PAK, Care of Comptroller, Nippon Yusen Kaisha, 1st Floor No. 1, Prince's Buildings, Chater Rd. Hongkong, 5th December, 1902. [83]

TO LET.

THE RETREAT, MOUNT KELLET, FLATS in MORETON TERRACE, CAUSEWAY BAY, facing the Polo Ground.

No. 1, RIFON TERRACE, GODOWNS at BOWRINGTON (PRAYA EAST), GROUND FLOOR of No. 4, BLUE BUILDINGS, HOUSES in LEIGHTON HILL ROAD.

Apply to—

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LTD. Hongkong, 1st January, 1903. [71]

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SPACIOUS NEW HOUSES and FLATS, Connaught Road, Des Vieux Road and Pottinger Street. Close to Blake Pier. Specially suitable for Offices, Stores, &c. Rents very moderate.

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S. A. SETH, Dairy Farm Co., KOW SUN TAI, 34, Wing Lok Street, Hongkong, 27th November, 1902. [80]

TO LET.

TWO SPACIOUS GODOWNS—Nos. 95 and 96, PRAYA EAST, TWO ROOMS above NEW VICTORIA HOTEL.

Apply to—

H. N. MODY, Victoria Buildings, Hongkong, 2nd December, 1902. [82]

TO LET.

TWO NEWLY BUILT HOUSES, from 10th January, at Kennedy Road, with excellent accommodation and a good view of the Harbour.

Apply to—

No. 4, LOWER MOSQUE TERRACE, Hongkong, 12th December, 1902. [87]

TO LET.

"HARTLEY," "WESTLEY," and "EDEN HALL," RICHMOND ROAD.

Apply to—

LAU CHU PAK, Care of A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd. Hongkong, 3rd January, 1903. [150]

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GODOWNS, paved with granite, at Wanchai. Suitable for storage of Coal or any other dry Merchandise. With Pier.

Apply to—

HASON LEE, 255, Queen's Road, Hongkong, 9th December, 1902. [84]

TO LET.

NO. 2, MACDONNELL ROAD, from 1st February next.

Nos. 8, 10, and 12, CASTLE ROAD, No. 40, CAINE ROAD, Nos. 7, 9, and 11, SEYMOUR ROAD, with immediate possession.

Apply to—

WO HANG & CO., 133, Queen's Road Central, Hongkong, 3rd January, 1903. [149]

OFFICE TO LET.

AT 50, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, First Floor (above Tak Cheong's shop).

Apply to—

Mr. SIN TING, Dentist, 14, D'Aguiar Street, Hongkong, 3rd January, 1903. [142]

TO LET.

HOUSE No. 6, MOSQUE JUNCTION (near Robinson Road), containing Four Rooms, Servants' Quarters, Kitchen and Bath-room.

Apply to—

J. D. BARROS, No. 45, Elgin Street, Hongkong, 26th November, 1902. [79]

TO LET.

HOUSE No. 3, LOWER CASTLE ROAD, Immediate Possession.

Apply to—

COMPTROLLER OFFICE, Care of Messrs. W. G. Humphreys & Co. Hongkong, 18th December, 1902. [89]

TO LET.

IN a good healthy locality, THREE ROOMS, BATHROOM and COOK-HOUSE. Rent Moderate.

Apply—

X. R., Care of Daily Press Office, Hongkong, 14th January, 1903. [233]

BOARD AND RESIDENCE.

BOARD and RESIDENCE in a Private Family House. Apply at 31, FOKULAM ROAD, Hongkong, 6th January, 1903. [167]

BOARD AND RESIDENCE.

MRS. GILLANDERS, "GLENWOOD," 21, CAINE ROAD, Hongkong, 20th September, 1902. [2515]

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ROOMS, with Board, Apply to Mrs. MATHER, 2, Pedder's Hill, Hongkong, 1st January, 1903. [222]

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AMMUNITION in variety.

WM. SCHMIDT & CO.
Hongkong, 28th November, 1902. [1152]

THE AMERICAN SYSTEM
OF
DENTISTRY

Dr. M. H. CHAUN,
33, DES VAUX ROAD CENTRAL HONGKONG.
From the University of Pennsylvania, U.S.A.
Hongkong, 4th March, 1902. [2383]

INSURANCES

THE WESTERN ASSURANCE COM-
PANY OF TORONTO, CANADA.
INCORPORATED 1851.
Cash Security ... £625,719
Total Losses Paid ... £6,769,240

THE Undersigned, having been appointed
AGENTS for the above Company, are
prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE
at Current Rates.

WM. METEYER & CO. [142]
Hongkong, 22nd July, 1902.

PHENIX FIRE OFFICE.
The Undersigned are now prepared to
GRANT POLICIES of INSURANCE
against FIRE at Current Rates.

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO.,
Agents for the Phoenix Fire Office.
Hongkong, 17th August, 1887. [128]

SUN INSURANCE OFFICE, LONDON
FOUNDED 1710.
The Undersigned, having been appointed
AGENTS for the above Company, are
prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at
Current Rates.

SIEMSEN & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 16th May, 1892. [26]

NORTH GERMAN FIRE INSUR-
ANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG
The Undersigned AGENTS of the above
Company are prepared to ACCEPT First
Class Foreign and Chinese Risks at Current
Rates.

SIEMSEN & CO. [27]
Hongkong, 29th May 1895

SALAMANCA FIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY.
The Undersigned, having been appointed
AGENTS for the above Company, are
prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE
at Current Rates.

HOTZ, JACOB & CO. [29]
Hongkong, 2nd April, 1900.

AACHEN AND MUNICH FIRE IN-
SURANCE CO.
OF AIX-LE-CHAPPELLE.
The Undersigned, having been appointed
AGENTS for the above Company, are
prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE
at Current Rates.

REUTER, BRÜCKELMANN & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 21st April, 1897. [113]

NORTH BRITISH AND MERCAN-
TILE INSURANCE COMPANY.
TOTAL FUNDS at 31st DECEMBER, 1902,
£15,722,693.

I. AUTHORIZED CAPITAL ... £3,000,000 0 0
SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL ... 2,750,000 0 0
PAID-UP CAPITAL ... 687,500 0 0
II. FIRE FUNDS ... 2,685,548 5 2

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Current Rates.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 1st July, 1902. [1796]

"L'URBAINE"
FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LD.
(Established 1838.)
The Undersigned, having been appointed
GENERAL AGENTS for the above
Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS
at current rates.

P. LEMAIRE & CO. [72]
Hongkong, 7th February, 1901.

GENERAL MARINE INSURANCE
COMPANY, LIMITED,
OF DRESDEN.
The Undersigned, having been appointed
AGENTS for the above Company, are
prepared to ACCEPT FOREIGN and
CHINESE RISKS.

HOTZ, JACOB & CO. [2327]
Hongkong, 1st September, 1902.

TRANSATLANTIC FIRE INSUR-
ANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG.
The Undersigned, having been appointed
AGENTS for the above Company, are
prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at
Current Rates.

SIEMSEN & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 16th November, 1872. [25]

ROTHEN MARK LODGE, No. 264.
A MEETING of EMERGENCY of the
ROTHEN MARK LODGE will be
held at the FREEMASON'S HALL, TO-
DAY (WEDNESDAY), the 14th JANUARY,
at 6 for 6.30 p.m. precisely. Visiting Brethren
are cordially invited to attend.
Hongkong, 9th January, 1903. [205]

NOTICE.
THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
of the MEMBERS and ASSOCIATES
of the HONGKONG BRANCH of the NAVY
LEAGUE, will be held in the CITY HALL,
TO-MORROW (THURSDAY), the 15th of
JANUARY, at 5.30 p.m. H. E. Pollock, Esq.,
K.C., President, in the Chair.

G. C. ANDERSON,
Hon. Secretary,
Navy League, Hongkong Branch.
Hongkong, 8th January, 1903. [186]

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Plain Christmas Cards ... 0.60
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Assorted Pastry Cakes ... per dozen 0.60
Scotch Buns ... from 1.50
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Hongkong, 19th December, 1902. [117-1]

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CHRIS OF ALL-SORTS,

BY

S. BARING-GOULD,

Author of "Mehalah," "John Herring," &c.

CHAPTER IV.

A LOVE'S QUARREL.

We take the true lovers run into strange capers.
As You Like It. Act II, Sc. 4.

Although Chris had pretended before her
anxiety to treat lightly the failure of Captain
Fenton to call that evening to see her and
hear of her adventure, his non-appearance
made her uneasy.

He had enquired three times the previous evening,
and once that morning, but when he knew by
the evidence of his own eyes that she was back,
he surely ought at once to have hastened to
Longridge House to see her. He had not done
so, the evening had passed, and the look cast
at her by those who passed, the expression of
his own face, the attentive smile, why this
sudden coolness in his behaviour?

When she had retired to her own room, she
sat by the fire thinking. What was the matter
with the right end of the telescope during
the day, we search through the wrong end at
night. What is seen distinctly in the daylight
in diminished proportions is seen vague but ex-
travagantly magnified at night. She rehearsed
what she had recently undergone, the rude re-
marks of Mr. Bates, his insulting laughter,
her by those who passed, the look cast at
her by the gentlemen crowded together at the
board-room window to watch. Added to this
was the unpleasant consciousness that her aunt
heard all the little details of the town, was in
telephonic communication with its every part
through her lady's maid. She had exhibited
herself a little quarrelsome with Lady Laura that
evening. She had hardly slept the previous
night, and she slept still less this night with
the consequences that, when she rose, her nerves
were fretted and she was further predisposed
to be irritable. And surely the events of the
past forty-eight hours had been sufficient to try
the nerves and prove the temper of any ordinary
girl with self-respect.

A girl of no fine feeling and considerable self-
assurance would alone have gone through it and
come out unscathed.

The two ladies had just finished breakfast.
Lady Laura was by the fire with her feet on the
fender, reading the paper. Christine was col-
lecting her letters with the intention of pre-
ceding to her room to answer them, and had
put together some bills her Aunt had thrown to
her with the request that she would see to them.

He came in hurried and said:—"I must go
to the office for a moment, but I shall have to
leave Barnford almost immediately—that is to
say by the next express for Town. I have had
a telegram to the effect that my uncle is dead."

"Dear Lord! I must congratulate you,"
said Lady Laura, and then hastily correcting
herself said, "I mean it is so sad and awful.
Poor old man! I am, however, convinced that
he is now in his proper element much more than
he was when at Fenton Court, the game not
preserved, no parties. A man in his position
should not have adopted fantastic religious
ideas. I think you told me yourself, Sir Roger,
that he had formed and founded a Church of
his own, to which only himself and his house-
keeper and the kitchen-maid belonged. So now
you are Sir Roger?"

"I suppose so."

"There is no supposition in the case," said
Lady Laura. "Of course you are. You were
the undoubted heir to the baronetcy."

"Yes, there can be no doubt about that. But
look at the telegram. It is from the rector of
Fenton, he was an old school acquaintance and
has done me real service by writing to me occa-
sionally, and telling me how matters went at
the Court. It is oddly expressed, is it not?"

He handed the pink paper to the lady. She
read the message aloud. "Sir John died yester-
day afternoon. Did not know till too late to
write. Come at once, and mind bring own
scholar—Hindley."

"It is a strange telegram, is it not? Why
should I bring my own scholar? There are the
solitaries who managed my uncle's affairs. And
how was it that Sir John died in the afternoon,
and Hindley, the parson of the parish, knew
nothing of it till after eight o'clock at night,
when the telegraph office closed?"

"My dear Sir Roger," said Lady Laura, "as
to the rector not being informed, I think nothing
of that; your uncle had founded his own
Church, and was probably ministered to by his
kitchen-maid. With regard to the lawyers—
there is no knowing how the vultures about him
may have been preying on him, before he was
dead, and probably your friend advises you that
you should have someone with you who can
counsel you how to deal with these birds. Take
one by all means. Have you one?"

"No. I have agents in town who look after
my property there; but not a solicitor."

"Then take one from hence. Mr. Gallop is
highly recommended. Now I have my bull-
french upstairs that wants its breakfast, and
I must attend to it."

Thereupon the lady left the room.

Christine, who had been watching Captain
Fenton, saw that restraint was in his face and
manner; he had addressed himself to her aunt
and not to her, otherwise than by a formal
salutation on entering the room.

She laid aside her letters, and said, "Well,
Roger, take a seat, I suppose you have now a
word to cast to me."

"Thank you, I am in haste, I had rather stand.
I must be off on account of my uncle's death."

"Which took place whilst you were playing
billiards," she said. She was nettled at his cool
behaviour.

"I was not playing billiards," he retorted.
"I went to the billiard-room to find a friend."

"What—Mr. Bates?"

"Mr. Bates is no friend of mine."

"I beg your pardon. One must not judge
by appearance."

"Your escapade does not seem to have im-
proved your temper," he said.

"Nor your association with Mr. Bates your
manners," she retorted. "What do you mean
by my escapade? The term is offensive."

"What else was it?" he was holding the
back of a chair, and Chris noticed that he
clutched it in an unmeaning manner.

"An escapade," said Chris, "means a break-
ing loose from the conventionalities and the
proprieties of civilised life, does it not?"

"Something like it."

"It implies the free action of the will. I
deny entirely that my will was called into
requisition."

"Well, call it a most unfortunate affair.
The whole town is ringing with it."

"Let it ring."

"It is not a pleasant thing for me to hear
what is said, or hinted."

"You have no right to listen to anything
hinted or expressed against me."

"But you gave occasion for it."

"It was a unlucky contretemps, and nothing
more. I lost my way in a strange country, in
the gathering darkness. I do not know where
I should have been on a jaded brute, stumbling
at everything, unless Mr. Bates had come to my
assistance."

"Yes, and Mr. Bates saw you both sitting as
lively as two birds on the following morning
outside the Hunter's Moon."

"To be sure he did. What of that?"

"And you gave him the slip, so as not to have
his company along the road back to Barnford."

"Certainly. If you know Mr. Bates, that is
a sufficient explanation; you will be aware that
he is a most undesirable companion."

"But Mr. Bates is a gentleman."

"Mr. Bates is a gentleman for him."

"You take up the words of the angels for him."

"I state what is the case. He behaved to me
with the utmost courtesy and kindness."

"It is a most vexatious matter, most distress-
ing to me—and it has driven me half-crazed.
I don't like to have your good name in every
man's mouth to mangle with his canine teeth."

"Or woman's either, and their teeth are more
poisonous than those of a man."

"I daresay that is the case, a man will bite out
of mere frolic, a woman with intent to hurt."

"Let me tell you, Sir Roger, as I suppose I
must now tell you—that it was your place to
have ridden to the hunt with me, and squired
me."

"I could not, I knew that my uncle was
dying. It would have been indecent for me to
have been seen in the hunting field."

"And let me tell you further," pursued
Chris, "that it is your place to put a stop on
idle talk about me, not to sit with open mouth
and ears absorbing it all."

"What could I do? Were you not at the
Hunter's Moon? Was not Mr. Bates there as
well? And did you not ride back with him? I
could not run up and down Barnford with
strips of diachylum and plaster up every mouth.
You should not have given occasion to such an
outbreak of miswable gossip."

"I was helpless, a victim to circumstances."

"It is most annoying to me to have to leave
Barnford with all this talk going on."

"Then don't go. It is more distressing for
me to sit here and have to endure it. It is your
place to stand by me and help me to override it."

"How can I? Look at the telegram. I must
be off to Fenton. My uncle is dead. Under the
circumstances it is impossible."

"Where there is a will there is a way,"
retorted Chris with true woman's instinct when
attacked delivering a counter attack. "It is
positively shameful of you to desert me at this
juncture."

"I cannot help myself, I must go. You
would not have me put in no appearance at my
uncle's funeral. I withdraw the word you ob-
ject to and substitute indiscretion."

"Really, Captain—I mean Sir Roger Fenton,
you ought to wear petticoats, you are so like a
woman, so like my Aunt Laura. You back
back to the same point after I thought I had
made it abundantly clear that I could have
sided in no other way than I did. I was not
dressed, to satisfy your scruples, to sit in a
damp hedge all night, with my feet in the
mud, under a dripping November sky, and with
a poor, jaded, borrowed steel shivering at my
side, ungrounded and a fool. I took shelter in
the first inn I lit upon. There might, for
aught I knew, have been half-a-dozen Com-
mercial Travellers, and I should have saved my
reputation by being one among them—with
Tom who travels in the hosiery line, and Dick
in the hardware, and Harry in Barnum pottery.
But as there was only Mr. Bates, the surgeon,
all the Mr. and Mrs. Grundies in Barn-taple,
and one of them has recently come into a
Baronetcy—all these hold up their hands in
holy horror."

"I do assure you that I acquit you," began
Captain Fenton; but she cut him short. Her
blood was up.

"Acquit me, indeed! who constituted you
judge over my actions? It is an insult to me to
have you go back and back again to my sup-
posed indiscretion, when there was no indiscre-
tion at all. Things happened as they did, be-
cause they could not happen otherwise, given a
jaded hunter an unknown road, and a Novem-
ber evening."

"I have a right to express an opinion. I
accept your explanation."

"Which you were not justified in asking. If
I have explained, it is of my own free will. You
ought to have taken for granted that I could do
nothing that was unbecoming and injudicious. I
will be so good as to tell you that I had done
with my half-breed and would come down and
terminate this disagreeable interview."

"Do not be angry, Chris," he let the chair he
was twirling about fall, and stooped and picked
it up again.

"Remember that I was in the billiard-room
with all those fellows when you and Bates rode
jauntily by. Although they dared not say a
word against you in my presence—Bates had
previously stated the facts he had witnessed—
yet I could see the creases on their cheeks,
and about their lips, that those fellows would
burst forth into very objectionable talk so soon
as my back was turned."

"I can see into your heart," said Chris, "as
though you had a glass window in your breast.
I see that you are inflated with pride at your
prospects. The girl whom you will condescend
to elevate to be Lady Fenton must be like
Caesar's wife, above suspicion. Your head is
turned, now that plain Captain Fenton has
blossomed out into Sir Roger, Bart. There-
take my engagement ring. I will not wear it.
I set you free that you may go on a questing for a
more suitable Lady Fenton, and let me recom-
mend you to one like little Miss Muffet, who sat
on a tuft of daisy, eating curds and whey, and who
was so proper, and so demure, and so timorous,
that when a spider, of course a male specimen,
came and sat down beside her, it frightened
Miss Muffet away."

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MONTHLY SAILINGS FOR LIVERPOOL AND FOR CONTINENT.

OUTWARDS.		
FROM	STEAMERS	DATE
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"PYRHEUS"	On 16th January.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"PAKLING"	On 22nd January.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"DIOMED"	On 28th January.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"CHINGWO"	On 3rd February.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"MACHAON"	On 10th February.
HOMEWARDS.		
FOR	STEAMERS	DATE
LONDON	"ANTENOR"	On 20th January.
LONDON	"TELEMACHUS"	On 26th January.
LONDON	"DIOMED"	On 17th February.
LONDON	"DIOMED"	On 3rd March.

LIVERPOOL BERTH.		
FROM	STEAMERS	DATE
LIVERPOOL	"TYDEUS"	On 24th January.
LIVERPOOL	"DARDANUS"	On 20th February.

CONTINENTAL BERTH.		
FROM	STEAMERS	DATE
MARSEILLES, ANTWERP and AMSTERDAM	"OOPACK"	On 14th January.

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FOR	STEAMERS	DATE
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FOR	STEAMERS	DATE
SHANGHAI	"PAKHOT"	On 15th January.
SHANGHAI	"KUIKIANG"	On 17th January.
MOJI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	"TSINAN"	On 19th January.
CEBU and ILOILO	"KAIFONG"	On 20th January.
MANILA	"TAIYUAN"	On 20th January.

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FROM	STEAMERS	DATE
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AND AMOY	"T. OZATA"	January.
FOOCHOW, VIA SWATOW	"ANPING MARU"	WEDNESDAY, 14th January.
AND AMOY	"I. GOTO"	January.
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Hongkong, 8th January, 1933. [118]

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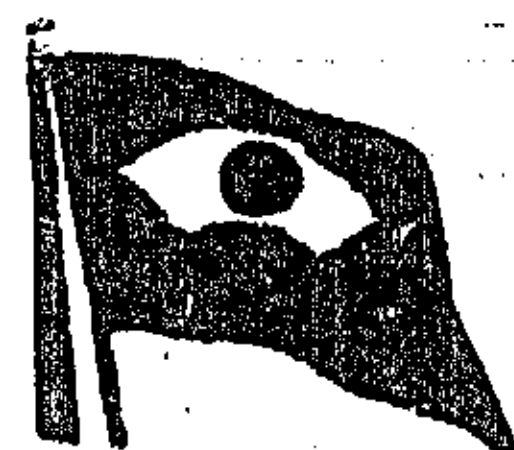
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NOTICE.

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Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon. Cargo will be received on board until 4 P.M. Specie and Parcels until 3 P.M., on the 25th January. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.) Contents and Value of Packages are required.

For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.

Hongkong, 14th January, 1933. [2]

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Hongkong, 25th July, 1932. [201]

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The Proprietor of "HADDINGTON HOUSE" begs to announce that he is removing to No. 9, SELBORNE VILLAS, KERRY ROAD, on the 10th inst.

Hongkong, 10th January, 1933. [217]

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE. NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD. HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship

"DARMSTADT."

OF THE NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 10 A.M. To-day, the 12th inst.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after 19th January will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on MONDAY, the 19th January, at 9.30 A.M.

All Claims must reach us before the 23rd January, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD. MELCHERS & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 12th January, 1933. [5]

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

CONSIGNEES per Company's Steamer

"PROMETHEUS"

are hereby notified that the Cargo is being discharged into Craft, and/or landed at the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co. Ltd., in both cases it will be at Consignees' risk. The Cargo will be ready for delivery from Craft or Godown on and after the 13th inst.

Optional cargo will be landed, unless notice has been given prior to steamer's arrival.

Goods undelivered after the 19th inst. will be subject to rent. All damaged Goods must be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined at 11 A.M. on the 19th inst.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 13th January, 1933. [10]

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship

"SUISANG"

having arrived from the above Ports. Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods, will be delivered from along-side.

Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after 4 P.M. to 6 P.M. inst., will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense into Godowns at EAST POINT.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 9th January, 1933. [218]

FROM HAMBURG, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE H.A.L. Steamship

"O. FERD. LAEISZ"

Captain Fuchs, having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature by the Undersigned and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from along-side.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon, To-day.

Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be landed into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 18th inst. will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 19th inst., at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE. Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 10th January, 1933. [224]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

"GLEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FROM ANTWERP, LONDON AND STRAITS.

THE Steamship

"GLENGLYLE"

having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co. Limited, at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Goods not cleared by the 14th inst. will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

All damaged packages must be left in the Godowns, and a certificate of the damage obtained from the Godown Company within ten days after the steamer's arrival, after which no claims will be recognised.

MCGREGOR BROS. & GOW.

Hongkong, 8th January, 1933. [204]

NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP "OLYMPIA,"

FROM TACOMA, VICTORIA, YOKOHAMA, KOBE, MOJIB AND SHANGHAI.

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DODWELL & CO., LD., Agents.

Hongkong, 10th January, 1933. [7]

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